

Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resource Commission

ITEM	6	DECISION
TOPIC	Construction Projects Contract Approval	

Bids were opened July 17, 2008, for the following projects:

1. Silver Lake, Dickinson County -- Floating Fishing Pier

This project consists of the construction of an ADA approved floating fishing pier with adjoining walkway and the construction of a crushed stone surfaced parking lot and other related work as required by the Plans and the DNR Construction Inspector. The purpose of this project is to allow easier handicapped accessible access to fishing in Silver Lake. Project was designed by Ken Jackson and will be inspected by Don Labate. DNR estimate is \$30,000. Project is budgeted 75% Dingle Johnson and 25% Fish and Wildlife Trust (Capital Link #44). 6 plans were issued. 1 bid was received.

Graves Construction Co. Inc.	Spencer, IA.	\$98,282.50
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Staff recommends the rejection of the lone bid.

2. Center Lake, Dickinson County -- Handicapped Access Fishing Pier

This project consists of the construction of a fixed fishing pier with treated wood deck and railing system with adjoining walkway and other related work as required by the Plans and the DNR Construction Inspector. The purpose of this project is to allow easier handicapped accessible access to fishing in Center Lake. Project was designed by Ken Jackson and will be inspected by Don Labate. DNR estimate is \$50,000. Project is budgeted 75% Dingle Johnson and 25% Fish and Wildlife Trust (Capital Link #40). 5 sets of plans were issued. 2 bids were received.

Graves Construction Co. Inc.	Spencer, IA	\$120,337.50
Christensen Construction & Design Co.	Spencer, IA	\$121,570.00

Staff recommends rejection of all bids.

3. Yellow River State Forest, Allamakee County -- Low Water Crossings Reconstruction

This project consists of the reconstruction of two existing concrete low water crossings and other related work as required by the Plans and the DNR Construction Inspector. The purpose of this project is to replace existing low water crossings that are in poor condition with new textured concrete crossings, improving safety for the Public. This project cannot begin until after Labor Day to allow for Campground scheduling. DNR estimate is \$70,000. Project is budgeted 100% Park and Institutional Road Fund (Capital Link #84). Project was designed by Ken Jackson and will be inspected by Mel Pacovsky. 11 sets of plans were issued. 5 bids were received.

Walleser Excavating	Lansing, IA	\$44,500.00
Thomas Concrete	Lansing, IA	\$48,458.50
Wicks Construction	Decorah, IA	\$60,662.40
Tschigffrie Excavating Co.	Dubuque, IA	\$65,395.54
Skyline Construction Inc.	Decorah, IA	\$75,503.99

Staff recommends award to low bidder, Walleser Excavating.

4. Nine Eagles State Park, Decatur County -- Cabin Area Utilities and Equestrian Area Water

This project consists of the extension of the sewer and water services to the future cabin site and the extension of water services to the equestrian area and other related work as required by the Plans and the DNR Construction Inspector. Construction of this project will allow for utility connections to future cabins. Sanitary sewer is connected by gravity to an existing manhole, which flows to an existing treatment lagoon. Water service will be extended from the beach area, approximately 500 feet, to the future cabin site. This project will also provide water to the equestrian area. A connection will be made from rural water on the north edge of the park to the equestrian area, approximately 1600 feet. This will eliminate the need to haul water in tanks for horse and human consumption. A drinking fountain will be installed between the shelter and playground near the campground for visitor use. Project was designed by Jason Kruse and will be inspected by Jason Kruse. DNR estimate is \$41,000. Project is budgeted 75% REAP Land Management and 25% local donation (Capital Link #153). 8 sets of plans were issued. 1 bid was received.

Communication Technologies	Huxley, IA	\$89,578.00
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Staff recommends rejecting lone bid and rebidding at a later date.

Bids were opened August 7, 2008, for the following project:

5. Backbone State Park, Delaware County -- Flood Damage 2008

This project consists of the repair of flood damaged park roads, spillway embankments, parking areas, the beach area and the boat ramp loop. Project was designed by Dave Heer and will be inspected by Dave Heer. DNR estimate is \$388,000. Project is budgeted 75% FEMA and 25% Parks and Institutional Road Fund. 11 plans were issued. 3 bids were received.

Tschigffrie Excavating Co.	Dubuque, IA.	\$404,116.95
Taylor Construction, Inc.	New Vienna, IA	\$448,395.50
Connolly Construction, Inc.	Peosta, IA	\$471,384.35

Staff recommends award to the low bidder, Tschigffrie Excavating Co.

Proposals pending for the following project:

6. Green Valley State Park -- Consulting Firm Selection for the Design of the Modified Spillway

A Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued to solicit proposals from qualified engineering consulting firms with experience in providing engineering and consulting services for the design of a modified spillway at the lake outlet.

The existing spillway structure will be modified to add a fish barrier and to rehabilitate the existing spillway due to age and wear. This will eliminate rough fish from the lake and is timed to coincide with other major modifications at the park, habitat development, and a lake drawdown.

The proposals will be reviewed by a four member evaluation committee: Ken Jackson, Don Labate, Heath Delzell and Mike McGhee. The evaluation committee scored the submitted proposals based on the following criteria: 1) capability to undertake the project by the firm (30); 2) technical expertise (30); 3) work plan to execute the project (20); and 4) cost of service (20).

Staff will bring a recommendation to the Commission meeting upon receipt of the proposals and review by the evaluation committee. Funding will be provided by Lake Water Quality Improvement Fund (Capital Link #97).

Linda Hanson, Administrator
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